

Contemplating the Knowledge of the Glory of God

(A Theological Refresher)

The Justice of God

Part 13

I. The Universal Sense of Justice.

Cf. Rom.2:14,15

II. The Revelation of God's Justice.

Cf. Deut.32:4; Psa.89:14; 101:1; Isa.45:19; Jer.9:23,24

Messianic prophecies - Psa.72:12-14; Isa.9:7; 11:3-5; 42:1-3; Jer.23:5; Zech.9:9

"God's righteousness (Justice) means that God always acts in accordance with what is right and is Himself the final standard of what is right." (W. Grudem, [Bible Doctrine](#))

III. The Two-fold Nature of God's Justice.

1. Retributive justice. (punishment, wrath)

Temporal judgment. Psa.95:11; Prov.13:15; Acts 12:22; Rom.1:18-27; 2 Pet.2:5,6

Final judgment. Acts 17:30,31, Rom.2:5-11,16; 2 Thes.1:5-7; Rev.20:11-13

2. Remunerative justice. (reward)

Cf. Matt.5:12; 6:4; 16:26,27; Rom.3:25,26; 4:4; 1 Jn.1:9; Rev.22:12

IV. The Perfection of God's Justice.

1. *His justice is flawless.* Gen.18:25; Dan.9:14

2. *His justice is impartial.* Deut.10:17; Rom.2:11,12

3. *His justice is thorough.* Psa.139:2-4; Mt.12:36; Rom.2:16; Heb.4:13; Rev.20:12

4. *His justice is omnipotent.* Dan.4:35,37; Nahum 1:3; Matt.28:18; Eph.1:21,22

5. *His justice is equitable.* Ex.21:24; Matt.11:23,24; 23:14

6. *His justice is certain.* Ex.34:7; Psa.50:21; Ecc.8:11; Heb.11:27.

V. The Application to be Made from God's Justice.

1. A call for sinners to repent.

Cf. Acts 17:30,31; Heb.10:31

2. A call for saints to worship, rest, and imitate.

Cf. Dt.32:43; Ps.7:17; 96:10-13; Isa.1:17; 5:16; Mic.6:8; Rom.12:19; Rev.19:11-13